

New Mexico - Silver City Field Office

FY 2004 Ranking Criteria Worksheet - Grazing Lands

Applicant: _____ Farm No. _____ Tract No. _____ CMS Field No's. _____ Date: _____

Tribal Land _____ Non-Tribal Land _____ Preliminary Rating _____ Final Rating _____

1. Plants - Potential Points - 200 (25%)*

*(Applications that earn 0 points in this section will receive no further consideration)

Note: Instructions on separate sheet		% Area in Contract Before Treatment		% Area in Contract After Treatment.		Potential Points	Points - Bench Mark	Points - After
Rangelands:	SI of 76-1 00 w/trend up or not apparent	%	___ + ___ + ___ =	%	200			
	Ecological SI of 51-75 with upward trend	%	___ + ___ + ___ =	%	170			
	Site SI of 51-75 with downward trend	%	___ + ___ + ___ =	%	140			
	Similarity SI of 26-50 with upward trend	%	___ + ___ + ___ =	%	110			
	Index SI of 26-50 with downward trend	%	___ + ___ + ___ =	%	80			
	(SI)* SI of 0-25 with upward trend	%	___ + ___ + ___ =	%	50			
	SI of 0-25 with downward trend	%	___ + ___ + ___ =	%	30			
Riparian	Use Attachment 1, 2, or 3	% Quality Bench Mark: _____	%	% Quality After: _____	%	200		
Grazed Forest:	Use Attachment 4	% Quality Bench Mark: _____	%	% Quality After: _____	%	200		
1. Plants		Total	100%	Total	100%	Total:		

2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - Potential Points - 520 (65%)*

*(Maximum points that will be awarded is 520, regardless of individual points available per practice)

Any practice used in the ranking criteria and intended to be included in the EQIP Contract must be a cost-shared practice or have an incentive payment. Higher priority (value) should be given to those practices which address multiple resource concerns, are cost effective, and have longer life spans.		Potential Points	Percent of Need to be Installed	Points - After
<u>Soil Erosion</u>				
Sheet and Rill and/or Wind Erosion				
Brush Management (314)		50		
Prescribed Burn (338)(incl. Presc. Graz.-Deferment if applic.)		50		
Well (642) & Pumping Plant(533)		40		
Trough or Tank (614)		40		
Pipeline (516)		20		
Fence (382)		30		
Classic Gullies and Streambank Erosion				
Grade Stabilization Structure (410, 410L)		200		
Diversion Dam (348 G or P)		40		
Diversion (362 A or B)		40		
Streambank & Shoreline Protection (580 R,F or W)		200		
<u>Water Quantity</u>				
Water Management for Non-Irrigated Lands				
Brush Management (314)		40		
Prescribed Burn (338)(incl. Presc. Graz.-Deferment if applic.)		40		
Well (642) & Pumping Plant(533)		30		
Trough or Tank (614)		30		
Pipeline (516)		20		
Spring Development(574)		25		
Pond(378) & (521 A,B, or C)		20		

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2. Conservation Practice(s) Selection - Continued

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Water Quality			
Surface water, Contaminants, Suspended sediment, Turbidity, Low dissolved Oxygen			
Grade Stabilization Structure (410, 410L)	200		
Streambank & Shoreline Protection (580 R,F or W)	200		
Plants			
Condition			
Productivity / Health and Vigor			
Brush Management (314)	30		
Prescribed Burn (338)(incl. Presc. Graz.-Deferment if applic.)	30		
Well (642) & Pumping Plant(533)	20		
Trough or Tank (614)	20		
Pipeline (516)	10		
Range Planting(550)	20		
Animals			
Habitat			
Food / Drinking Water			
Brush Management (314)	30		
Prescribed Burn (338)(incl. Presc. Graz.-Deferment if applic.)	30		
Well (642) & Pumping Plant(533)	20		
Trough or Tank (614)	20		
Pipeline (516)	10		
Wildlife Watering Facility(648)	20		
2. Conservation Practice Selection	Total:		

3. Other Considerations - Potential Points - 80 (10%)

Below are some suggested, not required, criteria. If there are other criteria the D.C. wants to recommend based on LWG advice, please include them here.	Potential Points	Bench-mark	Points - After
A. At risk species are in the area and the contract will enhance habitat for the species.	20	0	
B. Treatment of this land could have a beneficial impact on a 303d listed stream segment.	15	0	
C. Treatment of this land could enhance the benefits of an active/proposed sec. 319 project.	15	0	
D. This land is within a NMED designated Category 1 watershed.	15	0	
E. Proposed contracted area will be treated to eradicate and/or prevent infestation of Class A and/or Class B noxious weeds, as designated by NMDA.	15	0	
3. Other Considerations	Total:	0	

Total Points(after minus Benchmark): Sec 1 _____ Sec 2 _____ Sec 3 _____ **Total for worksheet** _____

 Designated Conservationist

 Date